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PHILADELPHIA – Acting United States Attorney Laurie Magid today announced the filing of a three count indictment¹ charging Sebastian Lucas Wecer with possession of a firearm by a convicted felon.

INFORMATION REGARDING THE DEFENDANT

NAME	ADDRESS	AGE
Sebastian Lucas Wecer	Philadelphia, PA	30 years old

The indictment alleges that WECER possessed a Taurus, model PT-111, 9mm pistol, serial number TWC01031 on November 29, 2007; a Keltec, model P-32, .32 caliber pistol, serial number 117149 and a Crvena Zastava, model 70, 7.65mm pistol, serial number 28834 on December 7, 2007; and a Sig Sauer model P245, .45 caliber pistol, serial number C006876 on December 19, 2007. The indictment further alleges that on all of these dates, the defendant had been previously convicted of a crime punishable by imprisonment for a term exceeding one year.

This case is part of Project Safe Neighborhoods, a federal initiative designed to identify and prosecute firearms offenders in federal court, where the defendant is likely to receive a substantial sentence upon conviction. If convicted, Wecer faces a maximum possible sentence of 30 years imprisonment, three years supervised release, a \$750,000 fine and a \$300 special assessment.

This case was investigated by the Violent Crime Impact Team (VCIT), comprised of the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms & Explosives, the Pennsylvania Attorney General's Bureau of Narcotics Investigation and the Philadelphia Police Department. The case is being prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorney Joseph J. Khan.

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